

S-451
Nellie Perry House
Upper Hill
Private

c. 1900

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: Nellie Perry House

MHT Inventory Number: S-451

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Development Period(s):
INDUSTRIAL/URBAN DOMINANCE
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s):
Single-family dwelling

**Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC SITES

Survey No. S-451
Magi No.
DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common NELLIE PERRY HOUSE

2. Location

street & number 8125 Upper Hill Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Upper Hill ☐ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Nellie Perry

street & number 8125 Upper Hill Road telephone no.:

city, town Upper Hill state and zip code MD 21868

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber 138

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio 115

city, town Princess Anne state MD 21853

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move c. 1946
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Nellie Perry house stands at 8125 Upper Hill Road in the historic black community of Upper Hill, Somerset County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story cross gabled frame house faces west with the principal gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Estimated to date to 1890-1900, this house was moved to this site around 1946 by the current owner, Nellie Perry, who now resides in a manufactured home next door. The house is occupied by seasonal tenants during the summer. Supported on a low masonry foundation, the single-pile frame house is sheathed with asbestos shingles, and the steeply pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the back of the main block is a single-story kitchen wing.

The west (main) facade is a three-bay elevation with a center entrance filled with a partially glazed front door. The adjacent two-over-two sash windows and the entrance are sheltered by a cross gabled front porch supported by turned posts and embellished with decorative corner brackets. The second floor is marked by three evenly spaced two-over-two sash windows, and the cross gable is pierced by a pointed arch window. The first and second floor windows retain shutter hardware, but no longer survive with the shutters themselves. The eaves to the cross gabled roof are extended and the soffits are boxed. Rising through the roof is an off-center single-flue stove chimney.

The north and south gable ends are largely alike with single two-over-two sash windows on each floor, and a pointed arch window marks the upper gable end. The gable end eaves are extended and the soffits are boxed.

Extending from the east side of the main block is a single-story kitchen wing extended on the south side by a shed addition. The south wall of the shed room is marked by a side entrance and a bank of single-pane sash windows.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

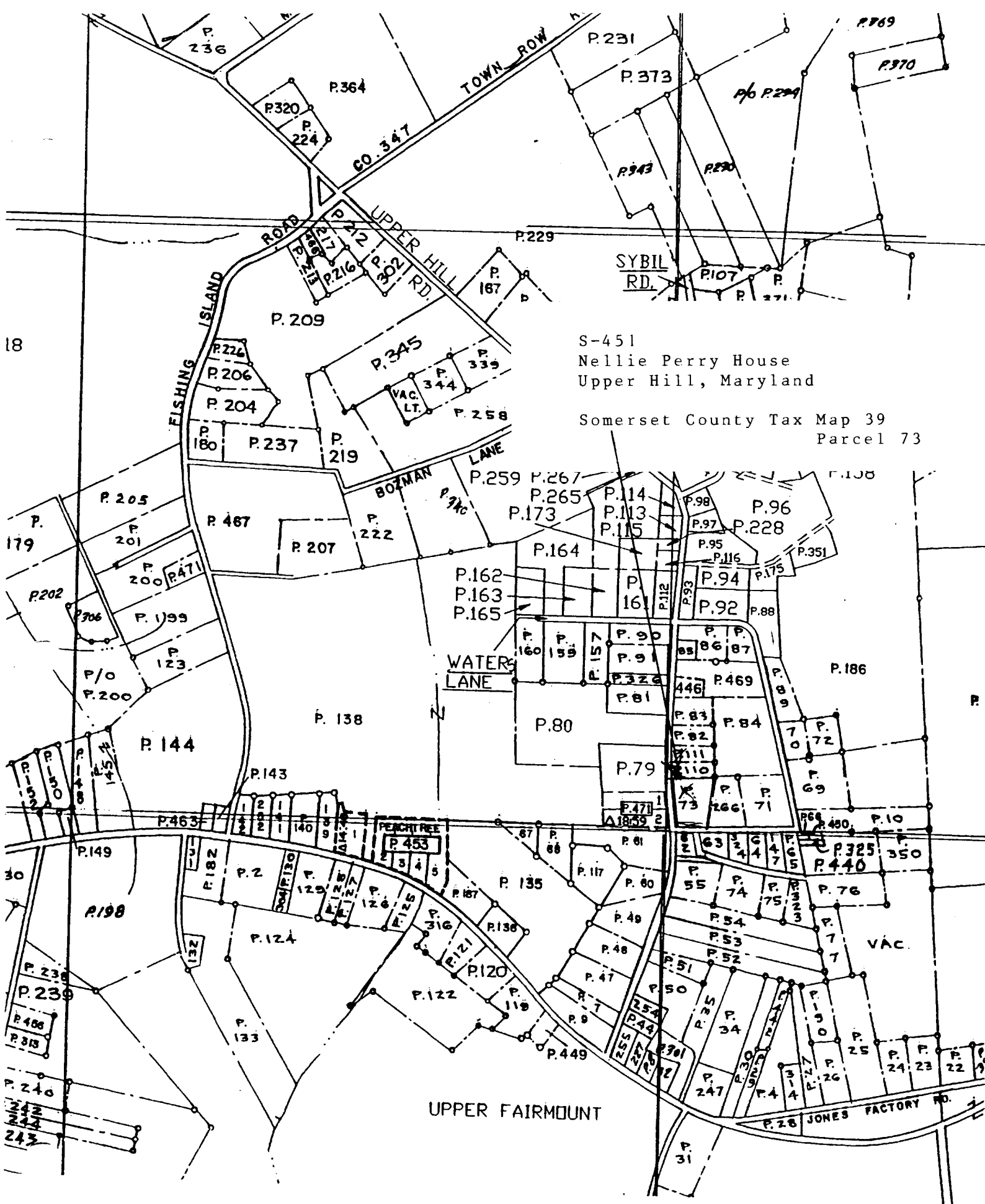
Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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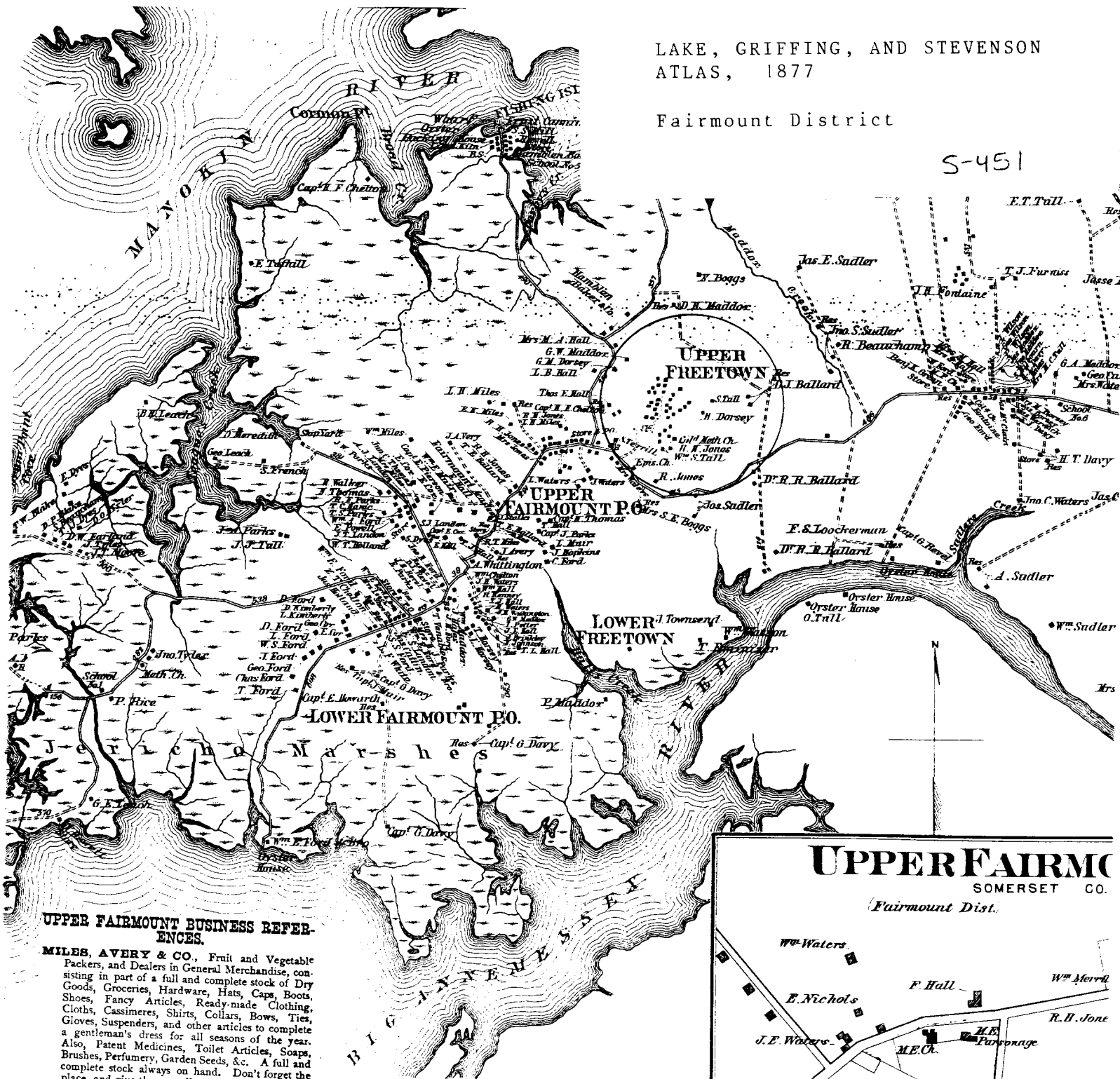
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ATLAS, 1877

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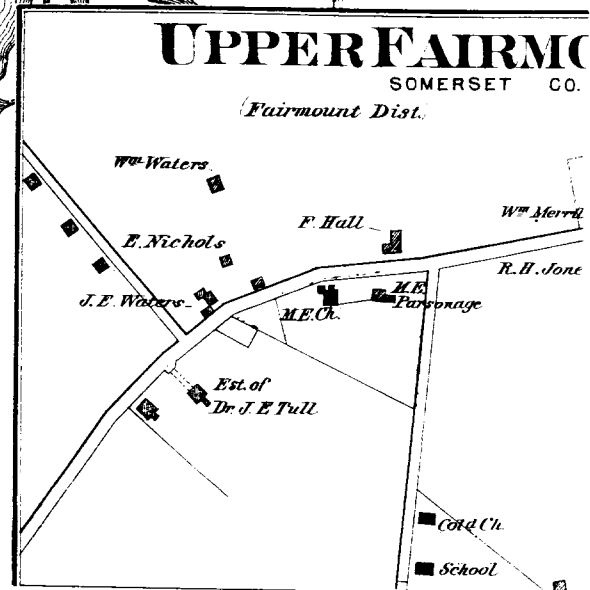
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47'30"

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Nellie Perry House
Upper Hill, Maryland

Marion, Maryland Quadrangle
1972





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Nellie Perry House

Upper Hill, Somerset County, MD

Southwest elevation

6/95, Paul Towart, Photographer

NEG (and historical photo)

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